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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert M. Tuttle, attorney of record, on 10/13/05 with respect to proposed amendments submitted by the attorney and filed on 10/06/05 and an agreement which was reached respecting changes to the aforementioned proposed amendments.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claims 15, 18 and 29 are cancelled.

Claim 6, in line 4, after the phrase "a bucking device disposed on the logging tool;" insert the phrase "--a current controlling device that provides a current to the bucking device--".

In Claim 6, lines 5-6, delete the phrase "wherein the bucking device adaptively cancels a signal induced in at least one of the transmitter or the plurality of receivers"

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and insert the phrase “—wherein the current provided to the bucking device is varied based on which receiver is being used—”.

Claim 16, line 6, after the phrase “coupled from the transmitter;” delete the word “and” and insert the phrase “—providing a current with a current controlling device to a bucking device—”.

Claim 16, line 7, delete “a” (second recitation) and insert the word “—the—”.

Claim 16, line 9, after the word “signal” insert the phrase “varying the current in the bucking device to accommodate a plurality of receivers.—”.

Claim 21, line 5, after the word “coil;” insert the phrase “--a current controlling device that provides a current to the bucking coil;--” .

Claim 21, line 8, after the word “and”, delete the phrase “wherein the bucking coil minimizes the magnitude of the signals that are directly coupled from the transmitting coil to the receiving coil.” and insert the phrase “--wherein the current provided to the bucking coil is varied based on whether the first or second receiver is being used.—”.

Claim 26, line 1, delete the number “23” and insert the number “—25--”

Claim 28, line 8, delete the word “and”.

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Claim 28, line 9, after the word "coil," insert the phrase "—and wherein the current provided to the bucking coil is varied based on which receiver coil the current controlling device is coupled to.—".

Claim 33, line 3, after the phrase " $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ " insert the phrase "—where $1/N$ is greater than zero—".

Claim 34, at the end, insert the phrase "—where $1/N$ is greater than zero and wherein $I_T(f_i)$ is the current in the transmitting coil due to the i -th receiving coil at frequency f_i and $I_B(f_i)$ is the current in the bucking coil due to the i -th receiving coil at frequency f_i .—".

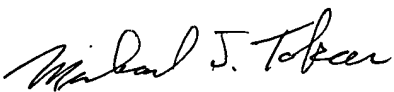
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